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**RESPONSE TO JULY 1, 2005 OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2005. Applicants respectfully request amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.